(c) New Bank of India has reported that with a view to preventing the occurrence of frauds, it has advised its branches to strictly adhere to the prescribed procedures and rules.

Cases Lost by New Bank of India

3032. SHRI JERLIE E. TARIANG: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases lost by New Bank of India throughout India during the last three years, year-wise and the amount involved;

(b) the reasons thereof?

(c) the details of the action taken by the Bank against the erring officials|employees|lawyers; and

(d) the details of steps likely to be taken by the Management of the Bank to avoid the loss of the cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) According to the information readily available with New Bank of India, the number of cases lost by it throughout India during the last three years and the amount involved in them is as follows:—

Year	Number of cases lost	Amount (Rs.in lakhs)
1984	1	0.26
1985	10	3.64
1986	7	0.92

(b) The Bank has reported that the cases have been lost due to various reasons including under stamping of the documents and non-appearance of the Advocate/officials.

(c) While suitable action has been initiated by the Bank against its erring officials, the names of advocates, because of whose non-appearance cases were dismissed, have been removed from the approved panel of the Bank.

(d) The Bank has filed appeals in some cases. Instructions have also been issued by the Bank to its branches to ensure in future that an authorised bank officials invariably attends the court and that the advocates are approached in advance of the hearing so that they could be suitably briefed.

T.V./Radio Stations

3033. SHRI JERLIE E. TARIANG: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state the names of the cities which will be covered by Radio Stations and Television Centres during the coming three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): As per Census of India Report 1981, all places with a population of one lakh and above are termed as cities. Taking this yardstick, all the cities are already covered by radio signals. As regards Television, nine cities are not covered by TV signals at present. Of these nine cities, the following five cities would be covered by TV signals in the next three years:

(i) Bokaro Steel City, Bihar.

(ii) Hardwar, Uttar Pradesh.

(iii) Porbandar, Gujarat.

(iv) Ichalkaranji, Maharashtra.

(v) Katihar, Bihar.

Panel of Advocates in State Bank of India

3034. SHRI JERLIE E. TARIANG: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that State Bank of India, Delhi, is not maintaining any panel of advocates for conducting the Bank's